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SUBJECT: US-USSR SPACE AGREEMENT: COOPERATION
BETWEEN GEORGIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND MIT ON HIGH
ENERGY X-RAY OBSERVATIONS

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM E. K. KHARADZE,
PRESIDENT OF THE GEORGIAN AS AND DIRECTOR OF THE
ABASTUMANI ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY, TO PROF. WALTER
LEWIN OF MASS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY CONCERNING
COOPERATION ON HIGH-ENERGY X-RAY OBSERVATIONS.
TEXT FOLLOWS PARA 2. WE ARE UNSURE AS TO WHICH
AREA OF THE SPACE AGREEMENT IS INVOLVED HERE. PLEASE
INFORM EMBASSY ABOUT BACKGROUND IN THIS AREA. ORIGINAL
LETTER BEING POUCHED TO NASA, REGISTRY NO. 1911867.

2. DEAR PROFESSOR LEWIN:

I AM ENCLOSING A COPY OF THE PROTOCOL SIGNED BY ME,
WHICH WAS WRITTEN BY YOU AND DOCTOR KAKHIDZE WITH
THE CORRECTIONS OF ACADEMICIAN SAGDEEV.

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EXCUSE ME FOR SUCH A DELAY, BUT I WISHED TO SEND IT
ONLY AFTER REAL POSSIBILITIES OF CARRYING OUT JOINT
WORK BY THE ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY OF THE ACADEMY
OF SCIENCES OF THE GEORGIAN SSR AND THE MASSACHUSETTS
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY WOULD ELUCIDATED. (SIC).
NOW I'D LIKE TO LEARN YOUR OPINION HOW IT WOULD BE
BETTER IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO ORGANIZE WORKING OUT

THE JOINT COORDINATED EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM FOR MAKING
HIGH-ENERGY X-RAY OBSERVATIONS.

IN 1978 AND IN THE BEGINNING OF 1979 THE ACADEMY OF
SCIENCES OF GEORGIA CARRIES OUT EXPERIMENTS IN SPACE-
CRAFTS OF KOSMOS TYPE, WHICH CAN BE USED AS THE BE-
GINNING OF THE JOINT RESEARCH.

NATURALLY, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO DISCUSS, AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE, SCIENTIFIC PROBLEMS AND TECHNICAL
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE HARDWARE WITH THE FOLLOWING
SUBMISSION OF OUR PROPOSALS ON THE WORK DISTRIBUTION
TO INTERKOSMOS AND NASA.

SINCERELY YOURS, E . K. KHARADZE. MATLOCK

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